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FM AMEMBASSY BONN

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INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: BURDEN SHARING

REFS: A. TOKYO 10308 DTG 090035Z JUL 76;

B. BONN 11247 DTG 021445Z JUL 76 (NOTAL);

C. STATE 160097 DTG 281902Z JUN 76 (NOTAL);

D. USNATO 3874 DTG 121208Z JUL 76 (NOTAL);

E. BONN 11262 DTG 021517Z JUL 76 (NOTAL)

BEGIN SUMMARY: ON JULY 12, THE JAPANESE DEFENSE ATTACHE ACCOMPANIED BY A SECOND SECRETARY FROM THE JAPANESE EMBASSY CALLED ON EMBASSY BONN TO ARRANGE THE VISIT BY THE JAPANESE DELEGATION TO HEADQUARTERS USAREUR AND/OR HEADQUARTERS EUCOM DESCRIBED IN REFTEL A. WE PROMISED TO REPORT THE JAPANESE APPROACH TO ALL CONCERNED, BUT POINTED OUT THAT WE HAD AS YET RECEIVED NO INSTRUCTIONS FROM WASHINGTON CONCERNING THE VISIT. END SUMMARY.

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1. THE JAPANESE DIPLOMATS READ FROM A CABLE WHICH THEY HAD RECEIVED FROM TOKYO DESCRIBING THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT. ACCORDING TO THEIR INFORMATION, THE JAPANESE DELEGATION WILL WISH TO DISCUSS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE FRG CONCERNING:

A. EMPLOYMENT OF LOCAL LABOR (SALARIES, HIRING PRACTICES, ETC.);

B. ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS (I.E., THOSE CREATED BETWEEN U.S. FORCES AND THE CIVILIAN POPULATION); OUR JAPANESE VISITORS SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO THE PROBLEM OF THE SAFETY OF POL STORES (REFTEL B).

C. BURDEN SHARING; AND

D. STATUS OF FORCE AGREEMENTS (U.S./FRG/NATO).

2. THE JAPANESE DIPLOMATS STATED THAT THE SCHEDULE OF THE DELEGATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

21 JUL 76 - ARRIVE BONN

21 - 26 JUL - DISCUSSIONS WITH FMOD AUTHORITIES

27-31 JUL - VISIT HQ USAREUR AND/OR EUCOM

1 AUG - 10 AUG - FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH FMOD

11 AUG - DEPART BONN

3. THE JAPANESE DIPLOMATS INFORMED US THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY MADE CONTACT WITH THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF DEFENSE TO ARRANGE THAT PORTION OF THE VISIT. THEY ALSO STATED THAT ACCORDING TO THEIR INFORMATION, THE SUBJECT HAD ALREADY BEEN DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON BETWEEN MR. TAMBA OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY AND MR. KOBAYASHI OF THE JAPANESE DESK IN THE DEPARTMENT AND LT. COL. BARRETT OF OSD/ISA IN THE PENTAGON.

4. WE NOTED THAT THE EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED VISIT FROM EMBASSY TOKYO BUT HAD AS YET RECEIVED NO FIRM INSTRUCTIONS FROM
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WASHINGTON (REFTEL C). WE ALSO NOTED THAT USAREUR DID NOT SEEM TO BE IN THE BEST POSITION TO DISCUSS QUESTIONS SUCH AS BURDEN SHARING OR STATUS OF FORCES' PROBLEMS. THESE, IN OUR OPINION, MIGHT BETTER BE DISCUSSED EITHER IN WASHINGTON OR IN NATO (REFTEL D). WE EMPHASIZED THESE WERE ONLY OUR INITIAL REACTIONS AND THAT WE WOULD WIRE FOR INSTRUCTIONS.

5. EMBASSY COMMENT: EMBASSY BONN
REQUESTS GUIDANCE. WE ASSUME SUCH GUIDANCE WILL ADDRESS
THE CONCERN EXPRESSED REFTEL E.
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